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1. STATION AGREES WITH HQS BRIEFING POINTS CONTAINED [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] HOWEVER, DO NOT AGREE THAT ALL [REDACTED]  
POINTS NECESSARILY FOLLOW, PARTICULARLY THAT OUR MODEST OPS  
MACHINERY COULD EITHER INFLUENCE OR SIGNIFICANTLY BENEFIT  
POSSIBLE ALESSANDRI CANDIDACY IN 1970. DETAILED REASONS  
FOLLOW.

2. [REDACTED] FUNDS ARE [REDACTED] FOR INFLUENCING COMPOSITION  
OF CONGRESS BY SUPPORTING MODERATE CANDIDATES AND [REDACTED] FOR  
CREATING PSYCHOLOGICAL CLIMATE AND MOBILIZING SPECIAL INTEREST  
GROUPS FOR BENEFIT OF MODERATE CANDIDATES. THUS MAIN THRUST  
OF [REDACTED] ACTIVITIES WILL NECESSARILY BE THAT WHICH INVOLVES  
OVER [REDACTED] OF ALLOTTED FUNDS. TOTAL NUMBER CANDIDATES SO  
FAR APPROVED FOR SUPPORT (WITH AMOUNT OF PROPOSED SUPPORT  
THROUGH FEB 69 IF KNOWN) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. [REDACTED]

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E. ANTICIPATE ADDITIONAL CANDIDATES WILL BE PROPOSED TO ELECTION TEAM AS FACTORS IN SOME RACES BECOME CLEARER AND DEVELOPMENTS OCCUR WHICH CHANGE POSSIBLE ELECTORAL OUTCOMES. AS REPORTED [REDACTED] FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL CANDIDATES ACCEPTED BY ELECTION TEAM PENDING FURTHER CHECKING OF FACTS SPECIFIC

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ELECTORAL DISTRICTS:

F. ON BASIS ABOVE FACTS, CANNOT AGREE PREPONDERANCE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR CANDIDATES ORIENTED TOWARD (NOR WOULD AMBASSADOR ALLOW SUCH TO OCCUR) SINCE SUPPORT TO REPRESENTS ONLY OF WHAT ALLOCATED SO FAR.

3. PSYCH CLIMATE OF BROAD SPECTRUM PROPAGANDA WILL CONCENTRATE ON THOSE LEFTIST TARGETS WHICH EVEN MODERATES (IE., FREI IN 1964) PRUDENTLY STEER AROUND. ATTACKING NATURE OF COMMUNISM, PCCH ATTEMPTS SUBVERT AND/OR DIVIDE OTHER PARTIES, PARTICULARLY PDC AND PR, AND IMPLICATIONS OF CZECH INVASION WOULD BE THREE BASIC PLANKS IN PLATFORM FROM WHICH TO LAUNCH ADDITIONAL SPECIALIZED THEMES AS APPROPRIATE. ENCOURAGING INCREASED PDC AWARENESS OF BASIC ANTI-PATHY COMMUNISM AND CHRISTIAN DEMOCRACY WOULD REPRESENT IMPORTANT CONTINUING THEME IN VIEW RECENT PUBLIC STATEMENTS THIS POINT BY FREI. BELIEVE ABOVE TYPE PROPAGANDA BENEFITS MODERATES IN PDC, PR AND PN WITHOUT STRESSING SUPPORT FOR ANY ONE PARTY.

4. MAINTAINING DIVISION IN FRAP RANKS BY FUNDING USP IS

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COVERT ACTION ATTEMPT TO NULLIFY VOTES WHICH CANNOT BE SWITCHED  
TO MODERATE CANDIDATES.

6. ALESSANDRI CANDIDACY FLOURISHING BECAUSE OF A) FACT  
THAT ALESSANDRI HAS BEEN A HOUSEHOLD NAME IN CHILE FOR 40  
YEARS, B) MYTH OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING PAST ALESSANDRI  
PRESIDENCY AND C) DISSATISFACTIONS OF THOSE WHO REJECT EXTENT  
AND RAPIDITY, IF NOT DIRECTION, OF NECESSARY ECONOMIC AND  
SOCIAL CHANGE IN CHILE. IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT REGARD  
PROGRAM ASSETS AS FORCE WHICH COULD SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE  
STRENGTH OF ANY OF ABOVE THREE FACTORS.

7. WISH EMPHASIZE AGAIN STATION AND AMBASSADOR AGREEMENT  
THAT BOTH FINANCIALLY AND IN TERMS OF NUMBER PERSONS  
INVOLVED CONTINUES BE MINOR PART OF TOTAL US GOVT PACKAGE IN  
SHORING UP MODERATE FORCES IN CHILE. ALSO, NATURE OF PARLI-  
AMENTARY ELECTORAL SYSTEM FURTHER REDUCES NUMBER OF OPTIONS IN

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WHICH INVESTMENT OF [REDACTED] MONEY AND EFFORT CAN HAVE DESIRABLE EFFECT ON INDIVIDUAL ELECTIONS. (DURING SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH EMBASSY MEMBERS OF ELECTION TEAM DURING WEEK PRIOR TO AMBASSADOR'S DEPARTURE FOR US, STATION FRANKLY SURPRISED BY THE LIMITED NUMBER OF ELECTORAL SITUATIONS IN WHICH COMBINED WISDOMS OF EMBASSY AND STATION ELECTION TEAM MEMBERS COULD CONFIDENTLY PROPOSE HELPING A CANDIDATE AND PREDICTING PROBABLE EFFECT THEY WOULD HAVE ON OVERALL PICTURE IN THAT DISTRICT.)

IN A SIMILAR VEIN, [REDACTED] PROPAGANDA MUST OF NECESSITY BE SELECTIVE AND SHARP HITTING RATHER THAN MASSIVE BECAUSE OF LIMITED AMOUNT OF FUNDS AND FACT THAT CHILEAN CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS OFTEN BASED ON LOCAL ISSUES AND PERSONALITIES. THERE IS NO UNIFYING THEME OR PERSONAGE SUCH AS DURING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS WHEN FORCES CLEARLY POLARIZED. STATION THEREFORE UNDER NO ILLUSION THAT [REDACTED] CAN DO MORE THAN EXERT VERY LIMITED LEVERAGE IN THE 1969 CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS.

8. [REDACTED]

9. [REDACTED]

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